

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant : Ota *et al.* Art Unit : 1653  
 Serial No. : 10/058,518 Examiner : Sheridan K. Snedden  
 Filed : January 28, 2002  
 Title : NOVEL GENES ASSOCIATED WITH THE MAINTENANCE OF  
 DIFFERENTIATION OF SMOOTH MUSCLE CELLS

**Mail Stop Amendment**  
 Commissioner for Patents  
 P.O. Box 1450  
 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

TRANSMITTAL LETTER AND PETITION FOR AUTOMATIC EXTENSION

Correspondence relating to this application is enclosed. The required fees are computed below.  
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Total Claims	62	-	20	=	42	\$756
Independent	10	-	5	=	5	\$430
First Presentation of Multiple Dependent Claims						\$0
Applicant hereby petitions under 37 C.F.R. §1.136 for a 3 month extension of time.						<u>\$950</u>
<b>TOTAL FEE DUE</b>						<b>\$2136</b>

Enclosed is a \$1,186.00 check for excess claim fees and a \$950.00 check for the Petition for Extension of Time fee.

Respectfully submitted,

Date: 5/5/04

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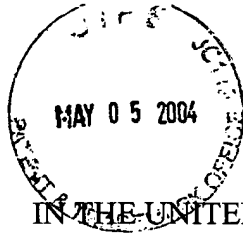
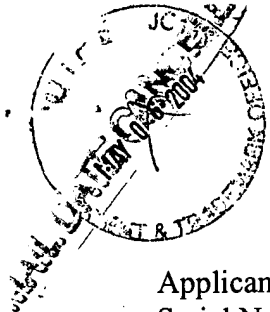
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AMENDMENT IN REPLY TO ACTION OF NOVEMBER 5, 2003

This Amendment in Reply to Office Action is submitted in response to the Office Action mailed November 5, 2003 ("the Office Action") for the above-referenced application. The Examiner set a three (3) month period for response. This response is being submitted with a request for a three (3) month extension, by the current due date of May 5, 2004.

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